

REMARKS

In response to the Office Action mailed November 19, 2004, Applicants amended claims 1 and 25, canceled claims 18, 24, and 30-36, and added new claims 37-59. Claims 1-4, 7-17, 19-21, 25-29, and 37-59 are presented for examination.

The Examiner objected to the title. Applicants have amended the title to obviate this objection, so the objection should be withdrawn.

The Examiner rejected independent claim 1 and its dependent claims 2-4, 7-17, 19-21, 24, 28, 30 and 31 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Rastani and/or Lear, or under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Lear. However, the Examiner indicated that previously pending claim 18, which depended from claim 1, would be in condition for allowance if rewritten to include all of the limitations of its base claim (1) and any intervening claims (no intervening claims). Applicants amended claim 1 to include the limitations of previously pending claim 18, and canceled claim 18. Applicants therefore request reconsideration and withdrawal of these rejections.

The Examiner rejected independent claim 25 and its dependent claims 26, 27, and 29 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Rastani. However, the Examiner indicated that previously pending claim 36, which depended from claim 25, would be in condition for allowance if rewritten to include all of the limitations of its base claim (25) and any intervening claims (no intervening claims). Applicants amended claim 25 to include the limitations of previously pending claim 36, and canceled claim 36. Applicants therefore request reconsideration and withdrawal of these rejections.

The Examiner indicated that previously pending claim 32 would be in condition for allowance if rewritten to include all of the limitations of its base claim (1) and any intervening claims (no intervening claims). Applicants added new claim 37, which includes the limitations of previously pending claim 32, and canceled claim 32. Applicants therefore believe that new claim 37 is in condition for allowance. Applicants also believe that claims 38-54, which depend from claim 37, are in condition for allowance.

The Examiner indicated that previously pending claim 33 would be in condition for allowance if rewritten to include all of the limitations of its base claim (25) and any

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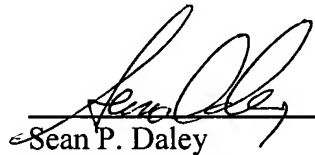
intervening claims (no intervening claims). Applicants added new claim 55, which includes the limitations of previously pending claim 33, and canceled claim 33. Applicants therefore believe that new claim 55 is in condition for allowance. Applicants also believe that claims 55-59, which depend from claim 55, are in condition for allowance.

Applicants believe the application is in condition for allowance, which action is requested.

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Please substitute the enclosed 14 sheets of formal drawings for the corresponding drawings presently in the application.

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